

REMARKS

Claims 1-17 are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 13-17 are added by way of this Amendment, corresponding to claims 2, 3, 6, 7 and 10 which are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Claims 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11 and 12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Takayama (5,991,842).

Analysis

Of the rejected claims, only claims 1, 5 and 9 are in independent form; therefore, the following discussion is initially directed to these independent claims.

In these claims, the “processing component” has been clarified to be an element which is to be mounted in the data processing apparatus. Applicant respectfully submits that this change does not raise a new issue and therefore would not require further search by the Examiner at this time. The element indicates a data recording device, for example, (a compact disc, a mini disc and so on), a cartridge that is not written in the application (for a printer or so on) and an I.C. card.

Amended claims 1, 5 and 9 disclose the bus reset of the present invention when an element which is to be mounted in said data processing apparatus, is mounted in said data processing apparatus. The element indicates a data recording device, for example, a compact disc, a mini disc and so on. However, Takayama discloses the bus reset in Fig. 7 and Fig. 11 causes function change of a device. In other words, after changing video/camera switch 12 in Fig. 7, the bus reset occurs and the device is systematized as a video/camera apparatus. For

example, the bus reset (S2) of Fig. 11 causes function change (whether VIDEO function to CAMERA function or CAMERA function to VIDEO function (S3)). Furthermore, the bus reset of Fig. 5 causes function change, whether DECK function to TUNER function or TUNER function to DECK function (device #1), whether CPU function to IMAGE PROCESSING function or IMAGE PROCESSING function to CPU function (device #2) and whether TUNER function to AMP function or AMP function to TUNER function (device #3).

Therefore, technical features of amended claims 1, 5 and 9 in the present invention are distinguishable from Takayama (5,991,842). In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the rejections of independent claims 1, 5 and 9.

The remaining rejections are directed to dependent claims 4, 8, 11 and 12. These claims are believed patentable for at least the same reasons as claims 1, 5 and 9, by virtue of their dependency therefrom.

In addition, Applicant adds claims 13-17 to further define the present invention. These claims correspond to objected claims 2, 3, 6, 7 and 10; however, these new claims recite the subject matter of the objected claims with slightly different phraseology in an attempt to more clearly recite the subject matter. These claims are patentable for the same reasons as claims 2, 3, 6, 7 and 10.

Conclusion

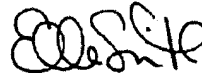
In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the

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Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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